

**Abstract**

A cooking hob comprises a main body that is mounted in an  
5 aperture of a work surface, the main body having one or more  
cooking rings on the top surface of the hob, and a control panel  
on the front surface of the hob. The control panel is slidably  
mounted to the main body for forward movement away from the body  
in a plane which extends substantially parallel to the top surface  
10 into an aperture formed in a cabinet underneath the work surface.  
The hob comprises a cooling fan that draws cool air in through the  
control panel to cool the internal components of the hob and the  
control panel, and exhausts warmed air externally of the cabinet.